

REMARKS

Claims 29-36 have been amended.

The Examiner has rejected applicants' claims 29-30 and 33-34 under 35 USC 102(e) as anticipated by the Takemoto, et al. patent (US Patent No. 5,810,665). Claims 31-32 and 35-36 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable based on the latter patent taken with the Shimada patent (US Patent No. 5,640,171).

Applicants' independent claims 29 and 33 have been amended to better define applicants' invention. In particular, amended claim 29 recites a display apparatus comprising: a display unit configured to display a color image; a time setting unit configured to set a time, the time to be set by said time setting unit can be changed by a user; a detection unit configured to detect whether the time set by said time setting unit is passed; and an image changing unit configured to change a color image to be displayed on said display unit to a monochrome image so as to warn the user that the time set by said time setting unit is passed, if said detection unit detects that the time set by said time setting unit is passed. Claim 33 has been similarly amended.

Applicants' independent claims thus now require changing a color image to be displayed on said display unit to a monochrome image so as to warn the user that the time set by said time setting unit is passed, if said detection unit detects that the time set by said time setting unit is passed. Such a construction is not taught or suggested by the cited art of record.

In particular, the Takemoto, et al. reference was cited by the Examiner for teaching changing the image size of an image to be displayed to warn a user that the time set by a setting unit is passed, if a detecting unit detects that the time set by the setting unit is passed. The

Shimada patent was cited for teaching a display apparatus capable of being mounted on a user's head. However, neither patent teaches or suggests changing a color image to be displayed to a monochrome image so as to warn the user that the time set by said time setting unit is passed, if a detection unit detects that the time set by said time setting unit is passed.

Applicants' amended independent claims 29 and 33, and their respective dependent claims, all of which recite such features thus patentably distinguish over the Takemoto, et al. and Shimada patents.

Applicants note also that with applicants' Amendment filed on February 20, 2007, applicants submitted in duplicate a replacement Form PTO-1449 to replace the form filed on December 13, 2005. The replacement form corrected one of the cited references, i.e., the citation of "Japan H07-~~020~~769 April 11, 1995 (Utility Model)" was corrected from "Japan H07-~~202~~769 April 11, 1995 (Utility Model)". The USPTO PAIRS Image File Wrapper shows that reference H07-020769 was submitted with translation.

Applicants have requested that the Examiner mark one copy of the replacement form (equivalent to PTO-1449) and return the marked copy to applicants' undersigned attorney so that applicants have a correct record of the references submitted and reviewed by the Examiner. The Examiner has not done so and applicants' again respectfully request return of the marked copy of the corrected replacement form.

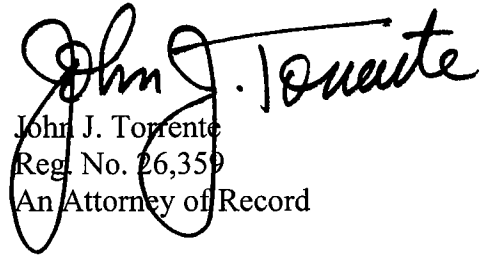
In view of the above, it is submitted that applicants' claims, as amended, patentably distinguish over the cited art of record. Accordingly, reconsideration of the claims is

respectfully requested.

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